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April 27, 1988

President Joshua Lederberg
Office of the President
Rockefeller University
New York, New York 10021

Dear Josh:

I have included the attached in your file.

Hope to see you in the near future.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Mike".

Ira Michael Heyman
Chancellor

Enclosure

April 27, 1988

MEMO FOR THE FILE

President Joshua Lederberg of Rockefeller University asked me to look into the reasons for the action of the University of California at Berkeley in 1958 deciding against his appointment. I examined the file and given the passage of time concluded that transmitting general information to Lederberg was justified. I advised him that his appointment in Genetics was acted on favorably at the campus level but was rejected in the President's Office essentially on budgetary grounds. The President apparently believed it more propitious to recruit at the Assistant Professor level; the salary provision for Lederberg would be quite substantial; and other expenses (laboratory equipment, his wife's research position, and necessary space allocation) were more than had been justified for "microbial genetics."

Thus, the appointment became a matter of disagreement between the President and the Chancellor and the former prevailed.

Ira Michael Heyman
Chancellor

cc: Joshua Lederberg